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October 25, 2018

REQUEST FOR WAIVER CC Docket No. 02-6

Contact Person:
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This letter is request for a waiver of the rules for invoice deadline and the USAC decision to deny our appeal to the USAC decision letter dated October 5, 2018, for recovery of improperly disbursed funds letter dated June 18, 2018. We are requesting a waiver due to unusual circumstances that were beyond our control. We met the deadline for filing the BEAR form, however because of incorrect SPIN number provided by the vendor, we did not receive SPIN information in a timely manner. Please see documentation attached.

USAC mistakenly applied the Jefferson-Madison Reconsideration Order direction USAC to identify and allow all applicants who timely filed their BEAR forms to be allowed to resubmit their BEAR forms even if their service provider failed to certify the BEAR form prior to the original invoicing deadline.

### We are appealing:

- a. Appellant Name: Green Hills AEA
- b. Applicant Name: Green Hills AEA Service Provider Name: Interstate Enterprises, LTD
- c. Applicant BEN: 132382 Service Provider Identification Number 143044030
- d. FCC Form 472 Application Number; 947624 Funding Request Number: 2633239
- e. Recovery of Improperly Disbursed Funds: You received disbursements after your invoice deadline. For recurring services, invoices must be submitted no later than 120 days after the last day to receive service or 120 days after the FCC Form 486 Notification Letter date, whichever is later. Services must be delivered within the fund year. Your invoice was received after the invoice deadline. Therefore USAC must seek recovery of improperly disbursed funds in the amount of \$2,987.18.

Our BEAR form was filed 12/23/15 (see attached) and was voided due to incorrect SPIN number, this shows that we met the original invoice deadline. Also attached is correspondence between the service provider and our entity that demonstrates the provider changed their name and did not appropriately follow through with the proper forms to change their SPIN number in a timely manner.

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Our agency took all of the appropriate measures to recover these funds. Based on these efforts that have been made and our attempt to work with the service provider and direction from Client Services at USAC, we believe that our BEAR form in the amount of \$2,987.18 was properly approved August 24, 2017 (see attached). Therefore, we request that the decision made for Recovery of Improperly Disbursed Funds be reversed.



### Administrator's Decision on Appeal - Funding Year 2014

October 5, 2018

Jamie Reid Green Hills AEA 24997 Highway 92 PO Box 1109 Council Bluffs, IA 51502

Re: Applicant Name: Green Hills AEA Billed Entity Number: 132382

> Form 471 Application Number: 947624 Funding Request Number(s) (FRN): 2633239 Your Correspondence Dated: July 12, 2018

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has completed its evaluation of the July 12, 2018 letter of appeal (Appeal) submitted by Green Hills AEA (the District). The Appeal requests that USAC cease its recovery action because the District timely submitted its invoice before the extended September 1, 2017 invoicing deadline. <sup>2</sup>

USAC has reviewed the appeal and the facts related to this matter and determined that it cannot grant the appeal because USAC is not authorized to waive the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules.<sup>3</sup> USAC is also required to seek recovery for funding that is disbursed in violation of the FCC rules.<sup>4</sup>

On May 30, 2017, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued the *Jefferson-Madison Reconsideration Order* directing USAC to identify and allow all applicants who

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Letter from Jamie Reid, Green Hills AEA to Schools and Libraries Division, USAC (July 12, 2018) (Appeal).

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Id.at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See generally, 47 C.F.R. § 54.702(c) (2013) ("[USAC] may not make policy, interpret unclear provisions of the statute or rules, or interpret the intent of Congress."). See 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c) ("Parties seeking waivers of the Commission's rules shall seek relief directly from the Commission.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Changes to the Bd. Of Directors of the Nat'l Exchange Carrier Association, et al., CC Docket Nos. 96-45, et al., Order, FCC 99-291 (1999) (Commitment Adjustment Order); Changes to the Bd. Of Directors of the Nat'l Exchange Carrier Association, et al., CC Docket Nos. 96-45, et al., Order, 15 FCC Rcd 7197 (1999) (Commitment Adjustment Waiver Order); Changes to the Bd. of Directors of the Nat'l Exchange Carrier Association, et al., CC Docket Nos. 96-45, et al., Order, 15 FCC Rcd 22975 (2000) (Commitment Adjustment Implementation Order).



timely filed their Billed Entity Application for Reimbursement (BEAR) forms to be allowed to resubmit their BEAR forms even if their service provider failed to certify the BEAR form prior to the original invoicing deadline.<sup>5</sup>

The invoicing deadline for Funding Request Number (FRN) 2633239 was April 08, 2016. The District did not submit a BEAR form for that FRN by that deadline, and therefore was ineligible for relief under the *Jefferson-Madison Reconsideration Order*. However, USAC erroneously identified the District as an applicant who qualified for the relief and improperly extended the invoice filing deadline for FRN 2633239 to September 1, 2017. Because USAC is not authorized to waive the FCC's invoicing deadline rules, USAC must recover funding that was disbursed in violation of the FCC's rules. For these reasons, your appeal is denied.

If you want to seek a waiver of FCC rules, or if you wish to appeal this decision, you must submit your request for waiver or appeal to the FCC within 60 days of the date of this decision letter. On all communications with the FCC, be sure to reference CC Docket No. 02-6. The FCC recommends filing with the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) to ensure timely filing. You can find instructions for using ECFS on the ECFS Online Manual page of the FCC's website. The FCC will consider electronic filings as filed on a business day if they are received before midnight ET. If you have questions or comments about using the ECFS, please contact the FCC directly at (202) 418-0193 or via email. For additional information about submitting appeals or waiver requests to the FCC, including options to submit via U.S. mail or hand delivery, visit the FCC's website at: <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/reports-research/guides/how-file-paper-documents-fcc">https://www.fcc.gov/reports-research/guides/how-file-paper-documents-fcc</a>.

<sup>5</sup> Petition for Reconsideration by Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order on Reconsideration, 32 FCC Rcd 4626, 4632, para. 15 (2017).

<sup>6</sup> See Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, USAC to Lane Plugge, Green Hills AEA (Aug. 2, 2017) (notifying the District that it qualified for relief pursuant to the Jefferson-Madison Order and extending the invoicing deadline to September 1, 2017).

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July 12, 2018

Contact Person for Appeal: Jamie Reid Green Hills AEA 24997 Highway 92 PO Box 110 Council Bluffs, IA 51502 712-366-0503 ireid@ghaea.org

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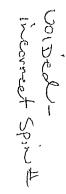
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## Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form

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Reid, Jamie < jreid@ghaea.org>

## Invoice Deadline Extension

1 message

deadline@sl.universalservice.org <deadline@sl.universalservice.org>

Thu, Nov 19, 2015 at 10:29 AM

To: jreid@ghaea.org

This serves as acknowledgement and approval of your request for your one-time 120 day invoice deadline extension for the following FRNs:

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Since this serves as approval, an invoice requesting payment must be submitted so that it is postmarked no later than the date found on the USAC website within the Search Tools in order for your request to be considered as timely filed. If you are resubmitting a Form 472, please remember that you should forward the form to the Service Provider as soon as possible to ensure sufficient time to process your request. The invoice should be submitted in accordance with the instructions that are posted in the SLD Forms area of the SLD web site at www.sl.universalservice.org or are available by contacting the SLD Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

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Billed Entity Number 132382

Contact Name JAMIE REID

Applicant Form Identifier <u>5A</u>

## Block 3: Billed Entity Certification

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that I am authorized to submit this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form on behalt of the eligible schools, libraries, or consortia of those entities represented on this Form, and I certify to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, as follows:

The discount amounts listed in Column (14) of this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form represent charges for eligible services delivered to and used by The discount amounts listed in Column (14) of this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form were already billed by the service provider and paid by the eligible schools, libraries, or consortia of those entities for educational purposes, on or after the service start date reported on the associated Form 486.

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D. I recognize that I may be audited pursuant to this application and will retain for five years any and all records that I rely upon to fill in this form.

I certify that, in addition to the foregoing, this Billed Entity Applicant is in compliance with the rules and orders governing the schools and libraries universal discount funding and/or cancellation of funding commitments. I acknowledge that failure to comply with the rules and orders governing the schools and libraries service support program, and I acknowledge that failure to be in compliance and remain in compliance with those rules and orders may result in the denial of universal service support program could result in civil or criminal prosecution by law enforcement authorities.

15. Signature of authorized person Signed electronically by LANE PLUGGE 16. Date 12/23/2015

17. Printed name of authorized person LANE PLUGGE

18. Title or position of authorized person CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR

19. Telephone number of authorized person 712-3660503

20. Address of authorized person 24997 HWY 92 PO BOX 1109, COUNCIL BLUFFS IA 51503

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# Block 4: Service Provider Acknowledgment

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- The service provider must remit the discount amount authorized by the fund administrator to the Billed Entity Applicant who prepared and submitted this Billed discounts on this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form, but in no event later than 20 business days after receipt of the reimbursement payment from the Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form as soon as possible after the fund administrator's notification to the service provider of the amount of the approved fund administrator, subject to the restriction set forth in B. below.
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Council Bluffs, IA 51503

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10. Date 6/9/2010

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Reid, Jamie < jreid@ghaea.org>

### RE: filing 473 E-Rate form

1 message

Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com>

To: "Reid, Jamie" </reid@ghaea.org>, Emily Nelson <enelson@ghaea.org>

Thu, Aug 4, 2016 at 9:17 AM

Jamie,

so I missed that one. I am seeing if he can get me access to that SPIN and whether or not I can get access, I will be calling USAC to get this resolved. I had it filed because I was able to file it for every other company. I was not aware this was a unique SPIN in their system aside from our other ERate offerings, I have asked the officer of the company to look at the USAC site because it appears I do not have access to that SPIN, which is why I was worng when I thought

From: Reid, Jamie [mailto:jreid@ghaea.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 03, 2016 10:16 AM

To: Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com>; Emily Nelson <enelson@ghaea.org>

Subject: filing 473 E-Rate form

phone call tomorrow by 8:30 am stating you have filed the 473 form with spin number listed above for years 2014-15-16. service provider, you are responsible for-Dave, I've called and left messages for you to return a call regarding the Schools and Libraries form 473 that as a different SPIN number that I'm not aware of? In speaking with Schools and Libraries, it takes minutes to complete the this with Schools and Libraries, under SPIN #143044030, the annual form 473 has never been filed. Do you have a I understand you are out of the office today and no one at the office can file this form. I've been told you have filed this form. However, in checking status on I would appreciate a

If I don't hear back from you, I will be forced to file a compliant as you are not complying with the federal guidelines. If you have filed the 473 under a different SPIN number, please let me know your SPIN Number.

Jamie Reid

Supervisor of Operations

Halverson Center for Education

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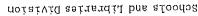
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Form A72 (BEAR) Notification Letter

August 10, 2016

Truro, IA 50257 PO Box 229 Interstate Enterprises, LTD David Sherlock

Invoice Number - as assigned by USAC: 2417177 Service Provider Identification Number: 143044030 Reimbursement Form Number: 13 Billed Entity Number: 132382 108

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The maximum remaining amount available for each Funding Request Number (FRM) liated on telmbursement approved herein for the Report will be the original commitment less the amount approved herein for retmpursements to your customer.

PLEASE WOTE; The type of invoice form (BEAR or SPI) for the funding year is established by the receipt and approval of the first invoice submitted for the FRM for the funding year. For example, if we successfully process a BEAR for an FRM, we will not approve a SPI for that same FRM at a later time.

Please see the Guide to Letter Reports posted on our website for an explanation of the items listed in the attached Report.

1-888-276-8736 or toll-free by phone at 1-888-203-8100.

Universal Service Administrative Company Schools and Libraries Division

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### BEAR NOTIFICATION LETTER APPLICANT REIMBURSEMENT REPORT

Form 471 Application Number: 947624
Funding Request Number: 2633239
Funding Year 2014: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2015
Contract Number: na
Funding Commitment Decision: \$2987.18
Reimbursement Amount for this FRN: \$0.00
Reimbursement Request Decision Explanation:
Service Provider Not Certified; Invoice Received Date
[08/03/2016] Later Than;

Reid, Jamie <jreid@ghaea.org>



### RE: filing 473 E-Rate form

1 message

Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com>
To: "Reid, Jamie" <jreid@ghaea.org>, Emily Nelson <enelson@ghaea.org>

Thu, Aug 4, 2016 at 8:19 AM

Jamie,

completed it correctly. Obviously that is not the case I am sorry this has taken so long and has been stressful for you. On July 1 there was a change on how to file the 473 and at that time I thought I had

I will be taking care of this today and you will have a status update from me by lunch.

Again, I apologize this has taken so long.

- Dave

From: Reid, Jamie [mailto:jreid@ghaea.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 03, 2016 10:16 AM

To: Dave Sherlock < dsherlock@interstatecom.com>; Emily Nelson < enelson@ghaea.org>

Subject: filing 473 E-Rate form

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Mon, Aug 8, 2016 at 3:22 PM

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August 11, 2016

Appeal Letter

Form 471 #947624 FRN # 2633239 SPIN # 143044030

Green Hills AEA 24997 Hwy 92 Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503 Entity Number 132382

In submission of the BEAR form, July 2015, it was discovered the SPIN NUMBER had to be changed as the company merged with another company. I filed a new spin number and was granted the change. I Have notes from a call dated 11-23-15 when I called David and asked him to file the form 473 so we could receive our funds. I called each month afterwards with no response. In the spring of 2016, I called and David said they couldn't file a 473 until July 1 as the form was going to be on-line. It's been very time consuming to get this provider to file a form. I've attached an email sent to David early August that demonstrates my frustration.

I would appreciate it if you would understand it wasn't my fault for missing a deadline. I had no control over the provider's action in this matter.

Please call me if you have any questions @ 712-366-0503.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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2. Billed Entity Number 132382

Identification Number (SPIN) Service Provider 143044030

Applicant FCC Form 498 ID 443006891

4. Contact Name 5. Contact Telephone Phone

(712)366-7778 ext.7216

JAMIE REID

(712)366-7772

Contact Fax

jreid@ghaea.org

Amount 6. Total Reimbursement Contact Email

(total from Block 2, Column 14) \$ 2987.18

Block 2: Line Item Information Per Funding Request Number

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### Block 3: Billed Entity Certification

Need Help?

## Contact Information for Billed Entity Authorized Person:

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### Submission Date 8/3/2016

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Green Hills ALA (Google) Mail - Re: Attn. Julia CSC 108895

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1 message

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## Form 472 (BEAR) Notification Letter

August 17, 2016

David Sherlock Interstate Enterprises, LTD 105 N. West St. PO Box 229 Truro, IA 50257

Re: Invoice Number - as assigned by USAC: 2418887 Service Provider Identification Number: 143044030 Reimbursement Form Number: 13 Billed Entity Number: 132382

jamie reid GREEN HILLS AEA 24997 HIGHWAY 92, P.O. BOX 1109 COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA 51503

Preferred Mode of Contact: E-mail at jreid@ghaea.org
Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment: \$0.00

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## BEAR NOTIFICATION LETTER APPLICANT REIMBURSEMENT REPORT



Form 471 Application Number: 947624
Funding Request Number: 2633239
Funding Year 2014: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2015
Contract Number: na
Funding Commitment Decision: \$2987.18
Reimbursement Amount for this FRN: \$0.00
Reimbursement Request Decision Explanation:
Invoice Received Date [08/09/2016] Later Than;

08/17/2016

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Reid, Jamie < jreid@ghaea.org>

# Re: Attn. Julia CSC 108896

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Cc: Emily Nelson <enelson@ghaea.org> Jamie Reid <a href="mailto:reid@ghaea.org">
To: Dave Sherlock <a href="mailto:ck@interstatecom.com">
termination:ck@interstatecom.com</a>

Fri, Aug 12, 2016 at 12:17 PM

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 12, 2016, at 11:29 AM, Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com> wrote:

I had to send an appeal letter to the fcc because of the time it took in filing. It will be up to the fcc whether we are granted the funds I filed for.

Here is the latest. I don't think there's anything I can do on my end.

From: SLD Problem Resolution Mailbox [mailto:SLDPR@GDIT.com]
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Subject: FW: Attn. Julia CSC 108896

Dave,

The Applicant already received an invoice extension.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the Schools and Libraries Helpline at 888-203-8100.

Thank you,

Julia Redmond

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Schools and Libraries Division

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Fax: 888-276-8736

E-mail: SLDPR@GDIT.com

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Is there any way to for the applicant to get an extension so they can still file it?

From: SLD Problem Resolution Mailbox [mailto:SLDPR@GDIT.com]

Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 11:21 AM

Subject FW: Case 107065 Attn. Julia CSC 108896 To: dsherlock@interstatecom.com

Dave,

In reviewing the document you sent me the invoice was denied for two reasons. One being the Form 473 was not on file when the invoice was received and secondly, the Applicant only had until 04/08/2016 to file this invoice. I show that the Form 473 for 143044030 was filed on 08/08/2016. This invoice was received on 08/03/2016. The combination of the two is what resulted in the invoice being denied. I also created a new customer service case for your inquiry. The new case number is 108896.

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Thank you,

Julia Redmond

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From: Dave Sherlock [mailto:dsherlock@interstatecom.com]
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 9:59 AM
To: SLD Problem Resolution Mailbox <SLDPR@GDIT.com>

Subject: RE: Case 107065 Attn. Julia Cc: daves@interstatecom.com

Another question, differnet topic.

Reimbursement Report was zero (see 2<sup>nd</sup> attachment). I had successfully filed the 473 for Interstate Enterprises, 143044030 (see attachment) and in the mail today I received a notice that the Applicant

I'm hoping this was generated before I successfully processed the form and we are all good, but can you confirm?

From: SLD Problem Resolution Mailbox [mailto:SLDPR@GDIT.com]
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 9:51 AM
To: dsherlock@interstatecom.com

Cc: daves@interstatecom.com

Subject: Case 107065 Attn. Julia

David,

You now have access to all 3 SPIN's. If you need more users added please contact us back.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the Schools and Libraries Helpline at 888-203-8100.

Thank you,

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I have opened case # 108896 with USAC

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From: <u>admin@interstatecom.com</u> [mailto:<u>admin@interstatecom.com</u>]
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 9:57 AM
To: Dave Sherlock <<u>dsherlock@interstatecom.com</u>>

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From: Dave Sherlock <asherlock@interstatecom.com>
Date: Mon, Mar 13, 2017 at 10:58 AM
Subject RE: Attn. Julia CSC 108896
To: "Reid, Jamie" <jreid@ghaea.org>

I will follow up with our accountant.

From: Reid, Jamie [mailto:jreid@ghaea.org]
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 10:49 AM
To: Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com>
Subject: Re: Attn. Julia CSC 108896

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On Tue, Mar 28, 2017 at 8:26 AM, Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com> wrote:

We are not FMTC-I35, Inc and the SPIN is 143049795

From: Reid, Jamie [mailto:jreid@ghaea.org] Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 8:24 AM

To: Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com> Subject: Re: Attn. Julia CSC 108896

I'm following up with you on confirmation of the SPIN number request. As stated below, I can only make one change per year for SPIN #, so it needs to be accurate. Please review the trail of emails below and notify me of your SPIN number for fiscal year 2016-17 (July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017). Please respond by April 3. Thank you.

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Cc: Emily Nelson <enelson@ghaea.org> Reid, Jamie < jreid@ghaea.org> To: Dave Sherlock <dsherlock@interstatecom.com>

Wed, Jul 26, 2017 at 9:33 AM

Dave, Schools and Libraries have requested you go into their S&L web site and file a form 498 under spin # 14304430 stating you are doing business as FMTC. Once you complete this form - which they are telling me takes 5 minutes - please email me so I can file for reimbursement. Thank you.

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Client Service Bureau Schools and Libraries Division E-mail: SLDPR@GDIT.com Fax: 888-276-8736 Helpline: 888-203-8100 Julia Redmond bulla Redmond was my contact that halped in approving this e-rate 155mm.

From: Dave Sherlock [mailto:dsherlock@interstatecom.com] Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 11:23 AM





Form 472 (BEAR) Notification Letter

August 30, 2017

David`Sherlock Interstate Enterprises, LTD 105 N. West St. PO Box 229 Truro, IA 50257

Re: Invoice Number - as assigned by USAC: 2671077 Service Provider Identification Number: 143044030 Reimbursement Form Number: 2014 Billed Entity Number: 132382

jamie reid GREEN HILLS AEA 24997 HIGHWAY 92, P.O. BOX 1109 COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA 51503

> Preferred Mode of Contact: E-mail at jreid@ghaea.org Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment: \$2987.18

This letter is your notification that the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has processed an FCC Form 472, "Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR)" Form from the above named applicant listing you as the service provider. USAC has committed to reimburse the discounted portion of the cost of eligible services provided to eligible entities pursuant to one or more FCC Forms 471, "Description of Services Ordered and Certification Form".

In certain instances, a line may not have been paid. Review the BEAR Letter Applicant Reimbursement Report (Report) following this letter for the reason(s) this may have occurred. For more information about lines that have not been paid, see the explanation of Invoice Error Codes in Step 9 on our website. Work with the applicant (your customer) to correct any errors. Once corrected, your customer may submit a new BEAR using the BEAR Online tool from the Apply Online area or Required forms section of our website to request reimbursement for any unpaid lines.

If a new BEAR cannot be submitted before the invoice deadline passes, you or your customer may submit a request for a deadline extension. (See "Invoice Deadlines and Extension Requests" posted in the SLD section of our website for more information.)

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- 1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
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July 11, 2018

To whom it may concern,

I received the above referenced letter from USAC regarding recovery if improperly disbursed funds. In speaking with Jamie Reid of Green Hills AEA, we found some old emails that inform the delay in receiving the funds past the reimbursement period. While the funding commitment letter came in with our SPIN of 143044030 when the funding reimbursement was filed by the AEA our SPIN was not on file (ease number 107065).

In an email with the subject line of "Case 107065 Attn. Julia CSC 108896" I was told that the applicant received an invoice extension. So, while our SPIN was on file for the funding commitment but not on file for us as the ETC to file our 473. Also, the day we were figuring out why the SPIN was not active, when it finally became active the portal to file a 473 was down, causing another delay.

Our SPIN was in the system for the funding commitment decision letter however not active for a form 473. Due to that as well as the system for filing 473 being out of service for a time, I recommend and ask that the extension be observed and the funds remain awarded to Green Hills AEA.

Le One know if I can be of any assistance.

David Sherlock

Customer Service Manager